

ANNEXURE.

Water-supply rules relating to Nagamangala Municipality.

No person shall—

- (a) remove, break, injure or open any cork, valve, pipe-work or engine or motor belonging to, or under the control of, the Municipality in connection with the water-supply; or
- (b) flush or draw off any water in or derived from any such water-work or do any act whereby the water in any pipe or water-work is likely to be washed or contaminated; or
- (c) obstruct, divert or in any way injure or alter any water-main, sub-main or duct.

2. The water supplied by the Municipal Council is intended primarily for domestic purpose, and therefore, water from a public standpost or tap shall not be taken for garden, irrigation, building purposes or for other non-domestic purposes. In the latter case, the previous sanction of the President or Vice-President should be obtained in writing on such payment and under such conditions as may be settled by the Municipal Council, provided that the use of water from the public taps for non-domestic purposes mentioned therein shall not be permitted unless there is sufficient supply of water at the tank or source.

("Domestic Purpose" means water used purely for the purpose of bathing, cooking, washing clothes and utensils.)

3. No person shall bathe or wash any animal, vehicle, clothes or utensils at any public standpost or taps.

4. No person shall do anything to damage or disfigure the standposts or platforms or to obstruct the free flow of water from the platform.

5. No person shall water any animal at any public stand, pipe or cistern, except at the places prescribed by the Municipal Council for the purpose by notice posted thereat.

6. In case of emergency, the President or Vice-President or his authorised agent may, at any time, with previous public notice by beat of tom-tom, stop the supply of water if it appears to be unfit for use by the public.

7. The President or Vice-President or his authorised agent in writing shall have power to stop or reduce the supply in any public-main or sub-main for repairs or renewals by such previous notice as is possible. But when such stoppage is over an extensive area or is due to exigencies which can be foreseen, due notice under the circumstances will be given by general tom-tom.

8. Applications for house connections from the public-mains or sub-mains are to be made in the prescribed form with the necessary plans to the President or Vice-President who is authorised by himself to comply with such requisitions by owners of property who are required to lodge with him or his agent the cost of the attachment as specified below:—

			Rs.	a.	p.
Half inch attachment	...	...	1	8	0
Three-fourths inch attachment	...	...	2	0	0

After the house connection estimate is sanctioned, the rest of the transaction will be entirely between the owner and plumber and the Municipal Council will not interfere in the matter of settlement of claims, etc., between the owner and consumer.

9. Private house service connections will be limited to houses paying house or shop tax of not less than Rs. 2 a year in localities where a supply can be given without detriment to street service, provided there are facilities to make proper arrangements for draining off the waste water to Municipal drains.

10. The number of taps to be given in any dwelling house will be limited to a maximum of three.

For houses taking half inch connection, a monthly fee of Rs. 1-8-0 and those taking three-fourths inch connection, Rs. 2-0-0 will be charged.

Non-domestic connections will be charged for all water drawn at eight annas per 1,000 gallons.

11. The Municipal Council, in consultation with the Water Works Department, may give connection to factories, firms and railways or for any other non-domestic purposes if the entire cost of the pipe line is borne by such factory, firm or railway provided such water connection does not interfere with the normal supply of water required for the Municipal area.

12. For every connection given for non-domestic purposes, such as garden, factories, presses, etc., the responsibility for installing and maintaining the meter will vest in the Municipality.

The word 'garden' does not include the garden in the compound of dwelling houses.

13. For all connections where a water rate is fixed by the Municipality, a charge of four annas per month shall be levied as the rent for the meter, in addition to whatsoever charge that may be due for the water consumed, provided that for periods when the meter is out of order no rent shall be charged.

14. If the owners or the occupiers of such houses or property vacate or abandon such houses or property either temporarily or permanently, the responsibility to communicate this fact in writing to the President or Vice-President shall rest on such owners or occupiers who should signify their intentions not to use the water till they re-occupy the house or property and upon such applications, the President or Vice-President shall arrange to cut off the water connection. In the case of houses or property remaining temporarily vacant for a month or more, meter rate only will be levied and in the case of such temporary vacancy for a portion of a month, no reduction either in water rate or meter hire shall be made or refund of amount granted.

15. Service pipes to private properties will, as a rule, be laid by plumbers duly licensed by the Municipal Council on approved plans and specifications under conditions and rules sanctioned by the Municipal Council.

The final connection between the private service pipes and the public water mains shall not be allowed until the work is inspected and passed by the President or Vice-President or his authorised agent.

(a) No alteration or extension of private connections will, as a rule, be allowed without previously obtaining the sanction of the Municipal Council and such works shall be carried out only by licensed plumbers.

(b) Repairs may however be carried out by the owners or occupiers of property after giving intimation to the President or Vice-President in writing of the nature of repairs to be done, the work being entrusted to the licensed plumbers only.

16. The water-rate and meter-rent or any water charges due under these rules shall be collected or caused to be collected by the President or Vice-President or his authorised agents every month in advance from the owners or occupiers of such property. The owners or occupiers of such houses or property shall be solely responsible for the payments of all charges or rate or rent and all such dues under these rules shall be collected as a Municipal Demand and shall be subject to the same rules as are provided in the Municipal Act of 1933, provided that the bill shall be served or presented to the owners or occupiers liable to such water-rate, meter-rent or other charges. It is necessary that a bill should be sent every month. (The Municipal Council may receive payment from the agent or the occupier:—

(a) In order to facilitate the adjustment of accounts between the owner of a house or property and his tenant or occupier, the President or Vice-President shall, when required, in writing furnish a memorandum showing the consumption and the probable charges on account of water-rate and meter-rent for any broken period of the month since the preparation of the last bill in his office.

17. Every meter shall be read within the 5th of every month and the meter reading will be duly intimated to the owner of the house. The meter reader will leave, with any available person in the house, a slip showing the consumption of water during the preceding month.

In calculating the charges under the clause of metering, the quantity of 500 gallons and below shall not be charged, but when it is over 500 gallons, it shall be charged for as if it were 1,000 gallons.

18. All complaints regarding the accuracy of the reading or the non-receipt of slips referred to in Rule 16 should be made in writing to the President or Vice-President within the tenth of the month concerned, after which no complaints will be entertained.

19. Any owner or occupier of a house or property having a water connection who may suspect or dispute the accuracy of the measurements indicated by water meter, may apply to the President or Vice-President and have the meter tested on payment of a fee of rupee one per test. If on actual test the quantity registered by the meter exceeds ten per cent of the correct quantity, the fee will be refunded to the party concerned; otherwise it will be credited to the Municipal Funds.

20. The Municipal Council reserves to itself the right to test any meter for its own satisfaction at any time. Due notice shall, however, be given to the owner or occupier of the house or property concerned.

21. If on examination any meter is found to be out of order and consequently not registering correctly, the consumption during the period since the last reading, till the meter is repaired or a new meter is attached, shall be calculated at the average daily consumption of the last registered period during which, in the opinion of the President or Vice-President, the meter was registering correctly and the consumption of water was not for any reason abnormal.

22. The President or Vice-President, or his authorised agent may, at all reasonable times and with the permission of the owner or occupier if permission be refused after giving six hours' notice, enter any premises in which there is a water connection in order to inspect and examine or repair the same.

23. The President or Vice-President or his authorised agent shall have the power to cut off connection between the private pipes and the public-main in any of the following cases:—

(a) In default of payment of water-rate and other charges, cost of repairs or meters, due under the rules, within five days after the same shall have been demanded in writing or bill presented.

(b) If any house owner or occupier who is supplied with water shall use or permit the use of water for purposes in violation of the conditions on which the connection is granted, provided that five days' previous notice is given in writing.

(c) In cases of leakage of pipes or other defects in the private service likely to cause loss to the Municipality, provided 24 hours' notice is previously given.

(d) If water is allowed to run to waste after the owner or occupier has been warned against allowing such waste by written notice of six hours or such shorter period as the President or Vice-President deems fit.

(e) In any case of broken pipes or fittings causing loss of water likely to cause damage to property when such written notice as may be possible shall be given.

(f) In any case of refusal to allow the President or Vice-President or his authorised agent to enter on any land or building for the purpose of inspecting service pipes, fittings, etc., after a day's notice.

24. The rules 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 20 stated above shall apply to public street fountains which have been or may be allowed to be erected at the expense of the private individuals for dedication to public use, and such fountains shall be further subject to the following conditions:—

(a) That their number is strictly restricted by the *bona fide* public requirements of particular localities which shall be decided by the Municipal Council.

(b) That they are not installed closer to any other public fountain than the minimum prescribed distance of 200 feet.

(c) That their free and unobstructed use at all hours by the public for whose use they are intended is duly safeguarded.

25. The President or Vice-President or his authorised agent shall, for the purpose of these rules, be deemed to be public servants.

26. Any person whose house connection is stopped for non-payment of dues or leakage, etc., should pay a fee of Re. 1 for re-connecting the same.

27. The Municipal Council reserves to itself the power, whenever it deems fit, to alter or modify the foregoing rules or to abolish altogether the system of house connections established thereunder or to stop or to reduce the supply to any private attachment or any public fountain without assigning any reason whatsoever.

28. Any person infringing any of these rules shall be liable to be punished with a fine not exceeding Rs. 50 on conviction before a Magistrate.

EXEMPTION FROM WATER-TAX.

(1) Buildings belonging to this Municipality.

(2) Government buildings which are exempt from Mohatarfa and "Religious Institutions," such as temples, masjids, grave-yards, burial and cremation grounds, (mutts and chattrams where free lodging is allowed), provided the cost of the pipe-line shall be borne by the respective institutions.

PUBLIC WORKS SECRETARIAT.

Ragimakalahalli tank in the Bowringpet Taluk to be referred to as Markandeya Tank.

READ—

Government Order No. P. W. 2070-6—S., dated 16th January 1939, sanctioning an estimate amounting to Rs. 3,10,000 for constructing a new tank across the Markandeya stream near Ragimakalahalli in the Bowringpet Taluk.

ORDER No. P. W. 4140-5—S., DATED BANGALORE,
THE 13TH JUNE 1939.

Government direct that the Ragimakalahalli tank be referred to in all future correspondence as "Markandeya tank."

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